6 /01 / X PATENT APPLICATION **HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY** KET NO. 10981366-2 Intellectual Property Administration n O. Box 272400 Collins, Colorado 80527-2400 IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE õ "Express Mail" labe Anticipated Classification of this application: Date of Deposit: Class Subclass I hereby certify that this is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Prior application: Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and M. Brooke Examiner: is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Art Unit: 2853 Washington, D.C. 2023 COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Typed Name: Lucinda Washington, D.C. 20231 REQUEST FOR A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Sir: This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) a (X) continuation application of: Pending Prior Application Application No. 09/262,872 filed March 2, 1999 Title Fluid Ejection Device Having Mechanical Intercoupling Structure Embedded Within Chamber Layer M Name of applicant(s) Dennis W. Tom, Juan J. Hernandez Assignment Reel/Frame No: 9906/0367 Dated: April 19, 1999 N Copy of Application (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the drawings. ├── (X) Enclosed is a Substitute And A Compane Specification. Oath or Declaration (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration (37 CFR 1.63(d)). () Enclosed is a newly executed Declaration (original or copy). Foreign Priority - 35 USC 119 () Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 has been claimed in prior Application No. in _ () The certified copy has been filed in prior Application No. _ () A separate paper claiming direct priority to a foreign application is enclosed herewith. A certified copy of the foreign application will be provided in due course. Relate Back - 35 USC 120 (X) Amend the specification after the title by inserting the following heading: -- Cross Reference To Related Application(s)--; and add the paragraph: (X) divisional -- This is a () continuation 09/262,872 filed on March 2, 1999 of copending application number which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

Inventorship Statement

() Delete the following named individuals as inventors in this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(b) as a result of a change in the claimed subject matter:

Appointment of Associate Attorney

)	Recognize	as A	Associate	Attorney	or	Agent
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Registration No.

- () authorization is hereby granted by signature below of the Attorney or Agent of record
- () the Associate Attorney or Agent may not have the authority to appoint other Attorneys or Agents

Communications

(X) Address all future communications to:

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Other Amendments

Before calculating the filing fee, amend the prior application as follows:

(X) Cancel the following claims 12, 14-19 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).

(X) Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

Fee Calculation

 $_{f s}({\sf X})$ The filing fee is calculated below for $({\sf X})$ Utility $\ \ (\ \)$ Design

CLAIMS AS FILED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY									
(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE		(5) TOTALS				
TOTAL CLAIMS	39 — 20	19	X \$18	\$	342				
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	7 — 3	4	X \$80	\$	320				
ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS	0		\$270	\$	0				
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Charge \$ 1,372 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis W. Tom, et al.

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